THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) :

(a) The number of dowry victimisation cases registered in various police stations in Delhi during the year 1991 and 1992 (up to 15-11-1992) is as under :—

	1991	1992 (upto 15-11-92)
(i) Dowry deaths	126	116
(ii) 406 IPC	120	209
(iii) 498-A IPC	455	502
(iv) Dowry Prohibition Act	5	4

(b) No, Sir

(c) Yes, Sir

(d) The Crime (Women) Cell of Delhi Police earlier known as Anti-Dowry Cell, was set up in 1983. The function of the Cell is to investigate dowry death cases and other cases concerning crimes against women specially crualty by in-laws, nonreturn of stridhan etc. Besides, the Cell deals with complaints of women in distress harassed by their husbands and inlaws due to dowry demands.

B. S. F. Sector Headquarter in Kisliangani District Bihar

2118. SHRI KAMESHWAR PASWAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government had decided to establish the Sector Headquartar of Border Security Force in Kishanganj district of Bihar and steps to acquire 152 hectares of land were immediately takan;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Rs. 60 lac is to be paid as compensation money for land acquisition which the BSF has to deposit; and

(c) if so, what are the difficulties in immediate disposal of compensation and what are the reasons for delay to establish the proposed sector Headquarter of B.S.F?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) to (c) It is a fact that it was decided to establish a Sector. Headquarters

of Bordar Security Force in Kishanganj District and action to acquire 115 hectares, 99 acres and 20 points of land for headquarters of this Sector as well as two Battalions of Border Security Force was initiated. The State Government have assessed the cost of this land as 'Rs. 57,10,217.13 P. The compensation is to be disbursed by the Land Acquisition Collector after announcement of the award. The Sector headquarters has not been established because the land has not yet been handed over to the Border Security Force.

Legislation of Check Kidnapping

2119. CHOWDHARY HARI SINGH : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to bring any legislation in order to check kidnapping and ransom incidents; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) and (b) A Bill to amend the Indian Penal Code to provide for deterrent punishment to persons committing the offence of kidnapping for ransom etc., and to make certain consequential amendments to the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 was introduced in this House on 3-12-92.

Reforms in (he Prison System

2120. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA :'

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state;

(a) whether any analysis has been made by Government with regard to the growing prison riots, jail breaks, unnatural deaths, suicides by inmates, smuggling of drugs in jails besides security lapses and sub-human living conditions in various jails in the country;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have consider ed the desirability of bringing suitable re forms in the prison system in the coun try; and

(d) if so, what steps are contemplated by Government in this direction ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINTSTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) and (b) : The All India Committee on Jail Reforms (1980-83) appointed by the Government of India had gone into the entire gamut of prison administration in the country including security and living conditions of jails. Thereafter, a Group of Officers was constituted (1986) to look specifically into the security, discipline end other closely related aspects of prison administration.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The recommendations of the Committee on Jail Reforms and the Group of Officers were forwarded to the States for implementation, since Prison' is a State. subject. Following the All India Committee's recommendations, the Central Government introduced a Prison Modernisation Scheme under which financial assistance in the form of 50% matching and 100% outright grants were given to the State Governments and Union Territories for upgradation of standards of prison administration including strengthening of security for which 100% grant was admissible. Under the scheme, an amount of Rs. 45.08 crores has been disbursed during the period, 1987—92. The importance of prison reforms was highlighted in the recently held Chief Ministers Conference on Human Rights and Administration of Criminal Justice, wherein specific Action Plans for the Centre and the States have been commended.

Setting up of Special Vigilance Teams

2121. SHRI GAYA SINGH :

SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that special vigi lance teams have been set up in each police district by Delhi Administration to remove illegal Jhuggis, jhompris and illegal en croachments/constructions; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the details of such illegal constructions removed in each police district so far after the settng up of these teams ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) :

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Special Vigilance Teams have been constituted in each Police District and they have ben asked to take round of its assigned district twice a week. The details of the unathorised encroachments and jhuggi jhompris demolished/removed by these teams include the following :—

1. 25 Kabaris sitting on MCD land in Munirka, New Delhi.
2. 25 new constructions and boundary wall in Munirka.
3. 22 structure with roof/without roof in village Kanjhawala covering 4 acres of Land.
4. 3 rooms and 10 boundaries in village Bhalaswa, Delhi and
5. 2.5 acres of Goan Sabha Land in Village Holambi Kalan.

Voluntary Organisations Receiving Foreign Funds

2122. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Home Ministry controls foreign funding of non-